



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6466**

LCO No. 1634



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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***AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARM USE GUIDELINES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that municipal and
- 2 state police (1) may only use firearms in the case where all other means
- 3 are insufficient, and (A) the officer reasonably believes such use of
- 4 firearms is necessary to defend the officer or another person from the
- 5 use or imminent use of such force as can be reasonably be expected to
- 6 cause death or serious physical injury, or (B) to effect the arrest or
- 7 prevent the escape from custody of a person the officer reasonably
- 8 believes has committed or attempted to commit a felony which
- 9 involved the infliction of serious physical injury or death, provided the
- 10 officer has identified himself or herself by voice and has given warning
- 11 to the fleeing suspect of his or her intent to use deadly physical force,
- 12 or (C) to put to death an animal which presents an immediate serious
- 13 physical threat to the officer or another person, or one that is so badly
- 14 injured that humaneness demands its immediate removal from further
- 15 suffering; and (2) shall be prohibited from the use of a firearm (A)
- 16 under circumstances where the lives of innocent persons could be
- 17 endangered by such use of a firearm, or (B) against an individual the

18 officer knows or reasonably believes to be under sixteen years of age  
19 except to defend the officer or another person from the use or  
20 imminent use of deadly physical force.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To update municipal and the Division of State Police firearms policies and procedures.